BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20554

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In re the Applications of	MM DOCKET NO. 97-75
PUBLIC BROADCASTING FOUNDATION OF NORTHWEST OHIO Channel 220, Defiance, Ohio	File No. BPED-950210MB
For Construction Permit for a New Noncommercial Educational FM station)))
MARANATHA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP, INC. Channel 220A Howe, Indiana	,) File No. BPED-950511IE)))
For Modification of Facilities of Station WQKO-FM, Howe, Indiana	,)))

To: The Honorable Joseph Chachkin Administrative Law Judge

PETITION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND

The Public Broadcasting Foundation of Northwest Ohio (Foundation), by its attorneys, hereby petitions for leave to amend its application in accordance with the attached information. The amendment is timely filed in response to Paragraph 5 of the Hearing Designation Order to provide information concerning the status of the Foundation's "request for funding from NTIA as well as any alternative sources of funding available." The amendment is therefore filed as a matter of right pursuant to §73.3522(b)((2). In any event, the amendment addresses only the applicant's basic qualifications and does not affect the §307(b) issue or any future comparison of the competing applications.

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For the foregoing reasons, good cause exists for acceptance of the Foundation's amendment.

WHEREFORE, the Foundation respectfully requests grant of this Petition and acceptance of the attached amendment for association with the above-referenced application. An original and two copies of the amendment are attached to the original of this Petition.

Respectfully submitted,

THE PUBLIC BROADCASTING FOUNDATION OF NORTHWEST OHIO

By: Lawrence M. Miller

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Its Attorneys



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Nancy M. Cassady, Secretary in the firm of Schwartz, Woods & Miller, certify that I have on this 21st day of March, 1997, sent by First Class United States mail, postage prepaid, copies of the foregoing **PETITION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND** to the following:

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James Shook, Esquire, Room 8210 * Complaints and Political Programming Federal Communications Commission 2025 M Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20037

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